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SUBJ: ITAIPU TO BUILD DAM ON MONDAY RIVER

1. DEBERNARDI HAS CONFIRMED TO EMBASSY THE TRUTH OF A
NEWSPAPER ARTICLE REPORTING THAT THE BINATIONAL ENTITY
OF ITAIPU WILL CONSTRUCT A DAM ON THE MONDAY RIVER.
ENGINEERING WORK IS TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY, AND CONSTRU-
TION WORK SHOULD START IN MID-1978. THE PROPOSED DAM
WILL ASSIST IN REGULATING THE WATERS OF THE PARANA
RIVER FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE ITAIPU COMPLEX. ITAIPU
BINATIONAL WILL PAY THE COSTS OF THE DAM (ESTIMATED
AT \$50 MILLION) BUT WILL THEN GIVE IT TO THE GOVERNMENT
OF PARAGUAY.

2. THIS DAM COULD BE THE SOURCE OF CHEAP HYDROELECTRIC
POWER, SINCE GOP WILL NOT HAVE TO AMORTIZE COST OF DAM.
HOWEVER, SINCE PURPOSE OF DAM IS TO COMPENSATE FOR
VARYING WATER LEVELS RATHER THAN TO PRODUCE ENERGY,
QUANTITY OF POWER AND CONTINUITY MAY NOT BE SUFFICIENTLY
RELIABLE FOR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES.
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